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**Special 510(k): Device Modification for the Osteonics® Spinal System  
Summary of Safety and Effectiveness****Submission Information**Name and Address of the Sponsor  
of the 510(k) Submission:Howmedica Osteonics Corp  
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Date of Summary Preparation:

March 19, 2001

**Device Identification**Proprietary Name:  
Common Name:  
Classification Name and Reference:Osteonics® Spinal System  
Spinal Fixation Appliances  
Spinal Interlaminar Fixation Orthosis  
21 CFR 888.3050  
Pedicle Screw Spinal System  
21 CFR 888.3070**Predicate Device Identification**

The features of the subject Diapason Screws are substantially equivalent to features of the Osteonics® Spinal System Conical Screws which were determined substantially equivalent via 510(k)s K951725 and K983152.

**Description of Device Modification**

The design change involves color coding the screws via anodization and increasing the threaded length of the screw. All other features of the screw remain the same.

**Intended Use**

The subject Diapason screws, like the predicate OSS Conical Screws, are intended for use only with the other components of the commercially available Osteonics® Spinal System. The uses for the legally marketed Osteonics® Spinal System are as follows:

**As a posterior, non-pedicle screw system of the T4-S2 spine, the Osteonics® Spinal System is indicated for:**

- Long and short curve scoliosis
- Vertebral fracture or dislocation
- Spondylolisthesis

- Degenerative disc disease (defined as back pain of discogenic origin with degeneration of the disc confirmed by history and radiographic studies).
- Previously failed fusion
- Spinal tumor

**Pedicular Use:**

- When used as a pedicle screw fixation system of the non-cervical posterior spine in skeletally mature patients, the Osteonics® Spinal System is indicated for one or more of the following: degenerative spondylolisthesis with objective evidence of neurological impairment, fracture, dislocation, scoliosis, kyphosis, spinal tumor, and failed previous fusion (pseudarthrosis).
- In addition, the Osteonics® Spinal system is indicated for pedicle screw fixation in skeletally mature patients with severe spondylolisthesis (Grades 3 and 4) at the L5-S1 joint, having fusions with autogenous bone graft, having the device fixed or attached to the lumbar and sacral spine (with pedicle placement at L3 and below) with removal of the implants after the development of a solid fusion mass.

**Statement of Technological Comparison:**

Fatigue testing demonstrates the comparable mechanical properties of the subject Diapason Screw to the predicate OSS Screw.



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Food and Drug Administration  
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Ms. Karen Ariemma  
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Re: K010845

Trade/Device Name: Osteonics™ Spinal System  
Regulation Number: 888.3070  
Regulatory Class: Class II  
Product Code: MNH, MNI, KWP  
Dated: March 19, 2001  
Received: March 21, 2001

Dear Ms. Ariemma:

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) notification of intent to market the device referenced above and we have determined the device is substantially equivalent (for the indications for use stated in the enclosure) to devices marketed in interstate commerce prior to May 28, 1976, the enactment date of the Medical Device Amendments, or to devices that have been reclassified in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (Act). You may, therefore, market the device, subject to the general controls provisions of the Act. The general controls provisions of the Act include requirements for annual registration, listing of devices, good manufacturing practice, labeling, and prohibitions against misbranding and adulteration.

If your device is classified (see above) into either class II (Special Controls) or class III (Premarket Approval), it may be subject to such additional controls. Existing major regulations affecting your device can be found in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Parts 800 to 895.

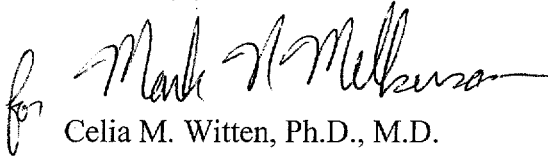
A substantially equivalent determination assumes compliance with the current Good Manufacturing Practice requirement, as set forth in the Quality System Regulation (QS) for Medical Devices: General regulation (21 CFR Part 820) and that, through periodic (QS) inspections, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will verify such assumptions. Failure to comply with the GMP regulation may result in regulatory action. In addition, FDA may publish further announcements concerning your device in the Federal Register. Please note: this response to your premarket notification submission does not affect any obligation you might have under sections 531 through 542 of the Act for devices under the Electronic Product Radiation Control provisions, or other Federal laws or regulations.

This letter will allow you to begin marketing your device as described in your 510(k) premarket notification. The FDA finding of substantial equivalence of your device to a legally marketed predicate device results in a classification for your device and thus, permits your device to proceed to the market.

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If you desire specific advice for your device on our labeling regulation (21 CFR Part 801 and additionally 809.10 for in vitro diagnostic devices), please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4659. Additionally, for questions on the promotion and advertising of your device, please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4639. Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21 CFR 807.97). Other general information on your responsibilities under the Act may be obtained from the Division of Small Manufacturers Assistance at its toll-free number (800) 638-2041 or at (301) 443-6597, or at its Internet address "<http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/dsmamain.html>".

Sincerely yours,

for Mark H. Miller

Celia M. Witten, Ph.D., M.D.

Director

Division of General, Restorative  
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Office of Device Evaluation

Center for Devices and  
Radiological Health

Enclosure

510(k) Number (if known): K010845

Device Name: Diapason Screws

#### Indications For Use

The subject components, Diapason Screws, are single-use devices which are sold non-sterile and are intended for use only with the other components of the commercially available Osteonics® Spinal System.

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Concurrence of CDRH, Office of Device Evaluation (ODE)

Prescription Use X

*for Mark N. Miller*  
(Division Sign-Off)

OR  
Division of General, Restorative and Neurological Devices Over-The-Counter Use \_\_\_\_\_

(Per 21 CFR 801.109)

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